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In re Application of :  
Firooz Ghassabian :  
Application No. 09/428,228 :  
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed October 31, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed November 5, 2002, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. A two (2) month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) has been obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on June 15, 2003.

The application is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 2681, for processing the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 filed with the instant petition.

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